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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Hirokazu ANNOURA et al.

Confirmation No.: 8653

Application No.: 10/799,681

Group Art Unit: 1625

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Examiner: Rita J. Desai

Title: ARYLPIPERIDINOL AND ARYLPIPERIDINE DERIVATIVES AND

PHARMACEUTICALS CONTAINING THE SAME

RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

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Sir:

The present paper responds to the FINAL Office Action mailed October 11, 2006, and is filed with a Request for Continued Examination (RCE). The Examiner is respectfully requested to consider and enter the following amendments and remarks.

Because Applicants filed a Notice of Appeal on April 10, 2007, the present response is timely filed on or before November 13, 2007 by virtue of the attached Petition for a five (5) month extension of time and corresponding fee pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.17(a) and 1.136(a), by virtue of November 10, 2007 falling on a Saturday, and by virtue of November 12, 2007 being a federal holiday.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 6.